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Big Howard heads Wycombe through

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Berks and Bucks Senior Cup — Quarter Final

FOR the second week running the heading power of the Wanderers' giant centre forward Howard Kettleborough got Wycombe through another cup tie, this time in the Berks & Bucks Senior Cup Quarter Final.

As at Barnet in the FA Trophy the week before, it was Kettleborough's heading ability that was the difference between the two sides.

Head

After making all the early running, it came as no surprise when the Wanderers took the lead in the 16th minute. Paul Birdseye overlapped down the right wing and sent an inch perfect pass for Kettleborough to easily head past the Chesham keeper.

The second goal, three minutes later, was even better contrived when Ian Pearson left two Chesham defenders standing after a mazy dribble, also down the right wing, and crossed from the byeline for Kettleborough to again

apply the finishing touch with his head.

After this, the rest of the first half was all Wycombe, but thanks to sterling defence by Chesham and poor finishing from the Blues', half-time came with no further score.

Chesham started the second half with a flourish that had Wycombe defending desperately for a while. But after a few near misses, plus good goalkeeping from Peter Spittle, the Blues gradually got on top again and it came somewhat as a surprise when Chesham scored five minutes from the end.

Hopeful

Stewart Atkins, the Chesham number seven, sent in a hopeful shot

come centre from the right and with everyone, attackers and defenders alike, missing the ball, it hit the far upright and rebounded into the net.

Marksman

This only caused Wycombe to redouble their efforts to make the game safe, but, alas,

as in other weeks lately, the finishing by the Blues was poor, and the need for another marksman is now prevalent.

They surely can't keep relying on Howard Kettleborough to win every match? So, for all the supporters sake, Wanderers, get a new striker soon!
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PICTURED ABOVE — Wycombe forcing the pace.

PICTURED BELOW — Chesham's goalie gathers up the ball and averts another threat.

